

JOURNEY TO REED SPRINGS

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quate, and still others for want of room enough and time. In spite of such shortcomings, there is a story here that, I believe, demands to be told.

One day, while staying in Bacavi, I was present at an encounter between an elderly Hopi man and woman. It was the first time they had seen each other for some years and they took much pleasure from this chance meeting (in the Hopi way, she was his aunt). After a while, for my benefit, they switched from speaking Hopi to English. The man told the story of an event in Bacavi's early years. The lady smiled inwardly at a few points in the story. When he had finished, she lifted her head and said, "Well, that's the way they tell it. We don't know if it actually happened that way, or if they made a story out of it—to remember it by." She was recognizing the way in which events are inscribed and remembered in Hopi oral tradition. Certain details are chosen and put together in such a way as to make a memorable narrative flow from them.

I can think of no better way of stating my aims here. By choosing some scattered details of history glimmering through the various lenses by which they were recorded, I have tried to "make a story out of it—to remember it by." This is a Hopi perspective. Perhaps, after all is said and done, no other histories are any different.

### The Name

Bacavi, more properly paaqavi, literally means "reeds." The species referred to is a tall grass known in the Southwest as "bamboo" (Phragmites communis). The village of Bacavi takes its name from this plant. In the past, many reeds grew around the staircase of springs that flow from the canyon slope below the village. Bacavi was the place-name for the springs before the founding of the village. Later, when the village was settled on the mesa top, it took the name of the springs below.

In Hopi, -vi at the end of a word usually signifies "place" and often refers to a village—Shongopavi, Mishongnovi, Sichomovi, Oraibi. So, in time, the name Bacavi took on a fuller meaning than simply "reeds." It came to imply "Reed Springs Village," a noble enough title for a full-fledged Hopi village. More than this, the name was deliberated upon and formally accepted by the leaders at the founding of the village. So it was that the settlement came to be Bacavi.

A name is important in Hopi. It gives an identity. Whether it be for a person or a place, a name often resonates with the meanings of a rich mythology and history. So *paaqawi* are not simply "reeds" in Hopi. There is a Reed clan. Reed was the plant through which mankind climbed into the

and portrayed in certain ceremonies. Reed is the stem for the sacred tobaccopipe. And so on. This is not to say that all these associations occur in the minds of Hopis when they think of the name Bacavi. But the associations provide a family of related ideas, and it is these that give Bacavi a richness and depth of meaning that is distinctively Hopi.

### The Place

Bacavi rests on the eastern edge of Third Mesa at the head of a canyon leading into the Oraibi Valley. The three Hopi Mesas extend southwestward like splayed fingers of a hand for which Black Mesa is the back. Close to the fingertips, above the wash-cut valleys between them, lie the several Hopi villages. This is plateau country: Bacavi lies at 6,300 feet above sea level.

a half cannot really be taken seriously as responsible adult human beings, although they may be good for a dollar or two in exchange for some crafts.

Like any other Hopi village, Bacavi is witness to some of these views— "Sleepy Hollow," a small town where there is little action even on a Saturday night. But to the oldest generation of Bacavi people, the village is a sanctuary, the place of refuge where their parents came to escape the trouble and strife of Old Oraibi. It is a place they built from scratch with their both those from without and those from within. But within Hopi perspecaverage tourist wandering through, Hopi is an enchanted land, with "mystical" people who perform strangely attractive though definitely with the museums they have seen (which they regard as having stolen some and tasteless visitors who come to learn all about the Hopis in an hour and sacred dramas is neither romantic nor is it even in Arizona—a foreigner's of their cultural heritage) and the sky under which they conduct complex designation; it is just there. Furthermore, the often uncouth, ill-behaved, to look at and imagine about; but one mustn't get too close or stay too long.

The Honic of course do not blink of the state of the sta primitive" (whatever this may mean) ceremonies, in a spectacular land-Indians in the museums back home. They are living relics who are "neat" are picturesque. The people in them somehow animate those dioramas of scape of mesas and deserts under the romantic Arizona sky. Hopi villages consider themselves abnormally mystical, they are not too impressed way. Just how they think of themselves is not for me to say. But they do not A place, any place, means different things to different people. To the The Hopis, of course, do not think of themselves in quite the same

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were sure the Friendlies would undertake to drive them out of the returned Hostiles to remain in the village. The delegation said they women, present and they stated that they did not desire these Chief Tawaquaptewa had many of his followers, both men and of the young men (Miller 10-30-1909) village because there was to be a ceremony for the initiation of some

Superintendent Miller's presence at Oraibi In the succeeding days, disputes worsened and Missionary Epp urged

return to Oraibi, and then something is to be done! But the bomb now! In about two weeks, the Chief's brother, Bert Fredericks, will The time to interfere on the part of the Government authority is may burst any day! (Epp 11-1-1909).

Epp fled to Moencopi on November 5 in fear of his life

south to Kyeptsomovi, "Box-Thorn Hills Place," a fertile area fed by th an area on the mesa top overlooking the Springs. There was plenty of water near Polacca, but it was thought First Mesa people would not approve. Then they thought of some ruins near Höwiipa, "Dove Springs," not fa nearby Navajos. Some say they also tried the old village site of Sikyatk Hard Rocks, but there was insufficient water as well as danger from the enough wood. Next they tried Nukushotski, "Crooked Piñon Tree," nea kiisonvi, "plaza," a highly desirable feature. they had many relatives. The site had ample flat ground for a large, square and plenty of wood. Moreover, they would be close to Hotevilla, when from Hotevilla. Finally they came to Bacavi, "Reed Springs," and looked a Polacca and Wepo washes between Dilkon and Leupp, but there was no over the countryside examining locations for a new village. First they wen Kewanimptewa and Sikyavehema borrowed Miller's buggy and travelec Miller arrived at Oraibi on November 4 and stayed for several days

Sikyavehema took Miller to show him the spot they had selected So Bacavi was chosen as the site. On November 8, Kewanimptewa and

bountiful supply of good, pure water (Miller 11-12-1909) found it to be a very desirable site for a village because of the

village. Kewanimptewa discussed their needs with Miller Immediately the Hostiles in Oraibi began to quarry rock for the new

> children of their faction now attending the Oraibi school, and asked that I recommend the establishment of a school at Bä-cä-bi located) (Miller 11-12-1909). (this being the name of the spring where their new village is to be Kewanimptewa gave me 32 beans representing the number of

as soon as possible (the allotment program had been resumed in February willage. Several men began building shelters at Bacavi in mid-November. But before they could get much done, there was another flare-up in 1908), and to furnish doors, windows, and other materials to build the new Kewanimptewa also persuaded Miller to have lands allotted in the area

Tawaquaptewa and Kewanimptewa publicly confronted each other

tewa lived and they faced off, saying, "Let us fight and we will see which one of us will die" (translated from the Hopi). So early one morning, around the time the rooster crows Kewanimptewa went up to the Bear clan house where Tawaquap-

The two leaders had plotted the fight secretly beforehand. They needed to ween leaders were unheard of, so a fight would strikingly dramatize the many were reluctant to go through with it. Physical confrontations be-Kewanımptewa: Eagle clan) a member of Kewanimprewa's group, spoke up, addressing senousness of the conflict. But the fight was forestalled. Poleheptewa powerful display. Although the Hostiles were preparing to move out, demonstrate the necessity of immediate separation to their people with a

for us to move to? Isn't it in your plans for us to move out anyway? Why are we staying here? Don't you already have a place picked out (translated from the Hopi).

this way, Poleheptewa unwittingly revealed that the fight was part of a

nonite Board. highly alarmed. J. B. Frey, the missionary at Moencopi, wrote to the Men-The situation had reached a boiling point. The missionaries were

all the conversations with them before they left it came out loud All the Moencopis have gone to Oraibi and it is very quiet here. In

42	hina Polingyaoma	Kachina
82	rot Lomanaksu	Parrot
40	bit Sikyahongnim	Rabbit
85	Katsinmana	
33 \ S	Poleheptewa	
79	le Nasingainewa	Eagle
37	Quavenka .	
61	Joshvenka	
31	Tawayesva	
41	Saqqöiva	
41	Talashoyoma	
40	Pongyaquaptewa	
42	Tawahongyoma	
Şo	Nasiquaptewa	
70	lger Talaswuhioma	Badger

Calculated from 1910 census of Bacavi, 1900 census of Oraibi, and 1892 allotment census

and Hano kiva. Lomahongyoma was the head of the Sakwalenvi branch of tion) society, which met at four kivas: Hawiovi, Sakwalenvi, Tsuu kiva Warriors' Society. His own mother's brother, Talai'ima, had been in Soyalangw. Oraibi had four branches of the Wuwtsim (Manhood Initia Oraibi ceremony, was based. He held a role as singer of certain sacred songs Spider and Bear were the two most prestigious clans in Oraibi's leadership Hostiles in the 1890s and early 1900s. He was put up by the Hostiles as Lomahongyoma held a high-level position in this society. During the Motsmongwi, the Momtsit chief, and it is therefore likely that Lomahongyoma was also an important initiated member of Momtsit, the alternative Kikmongwi to Loololma. He was head of the Spider clan; leading to the Oraibi split. Lomahongyoma was the primary leader of the Wuwtsim. Although its activities lapsed around the turn of the century Soyalangu (the Winter Solstice ceremony), probably the most important Lomahongyoma was the kiva chief at Oraibi's Mong (chief) kiva where We have already encountered some of Bacavi's founders in episodes

Mometrit's declaration of war against Colonel Corbin's troops in 1891, Lomahongyoma performed the important role of his ancestral spirit, Kookyangsowuuti, "Spider Grandmother." Although he had been superseded in the leadership of the Oraibi Hostiles by Yukioma, and although his brother Lomayestewa was attempting to take over some of his ritual prerogatives, Lomahongyoma maintained a powerful role in Oraibi's politico-ritual hierarchy. He was married to Qötsyamka of the Desert Fox clan.

Name

Approximate Age in 1909\*

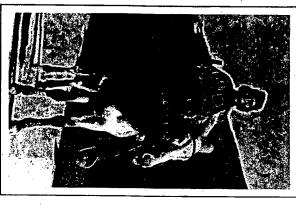


Qötsyamka (Desert Fox clan, wife of Lomabongyoma) carrying piiki in Oraibi, 1890s. Photo by H. R. Voth. Courtesy Mennonite Library and Archives, North Newton, Kansas.

The other Spider clan man at Bacavi, Gyashongnewa, was Lomahongyoma's brother and also a man of high standing. He was in charge of the Blue Flute altar at Oraibi and was a member of Wuutsim at Sakwalenvi, of Momtsit, and of Nasotanuwimkyam, the Stick-Swallowers' Society, a society linked to Momtsit that was owned by the Spider clan but which had very few initiates left by the late nineteenth century. Gyashongnewa was also a tuubikya, one of Oraibi's few leading medicine men. Later in life, he became Tsöpmonguni, chief of the Antelope Society, at Hotevilla and maintained a residence between the two villages. He was a bachelor for much of his life, though in later years he lived with Kewan-quapnim of the Greasewood clan.

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Had Oraibi not split, some of these would have been legitimate heirs to although nowadays no members of Oraibi's Bear clan live at Oraibi or who was then adopted by her sister Talashongsi, who came to Bacavi with grandmother. All of those descended from Tawanimka were Friendlies. the position of Kikmongwi Kykotsmovi, the Oraibi Bear clan still has direct descendants at Bacavi. her husband, Pongyaquaptewa (Badger clan) and their children. So to the antagonisms leading to Oraibi's second split. She had a daughter mysteriously while making piiki (wafer-bread) in 1909, which contributed Pongyaletstewa of the Coyote clan. She was one of the women who died Tawanimka, who lived until the mid- to late-nineteenth century. had two Bear clan lineages, descended from two sisters, Tuvewunka and Friendlies and stayed at Oraibi after the split. This is not the case. Oraibi these sisters were tied to the Hostile faction. Kewanhonka was married to Tawanimka was Kikmongwi Loololma's mother and Tawaquaptewa's Tuvewunka had two daughters, Kewanhonka and Talashongsi. Both of Some writers have suggested that all members of the Bear clan were



Kewanimptewa, ca. 19205–305, wearing the Indian police uniform for which he was known. Photographer unknown. Courtesy of Harry Kewanimptewa.

supernatural powers. Kewanimptewa Apparently, he did not go to Hotetion with the Hispanic employees Kastila, "Spaniard," for his associaquired his most common nickname, man he had worked at Hubbell's trad-Solaawa, "policeman." As a young which he acquired the nickname an Indian police officer at Bacavi, for Oraibi after the split and later became had been appointed Indian Judge at society because of its specialized One-Horn Society, Oraibi's most feared was a Kwaanitaqa, an initiate of the clan, had been an important man in father, Nawungni'ima of the Kachina and was a highly respected leader. His evidently possessed powerful charisma of the Sand clan. He was around 35 ing post near Oraibi and there acthe Kachina Society. Kewanimptewa Oraibi-the Katsinmongwi, chief of years old when he came to Bacavi. He his death in 1947 was Kewanimptewa Bacavi's preeminent leader until

villa immediately after the split but waited a few days: his political sympathies seem to have lain between the two poles. He was married to Qömamöinim of the Spider clan, who was of eminent lineage also; her mother, Tuvaamana, had held the role of Soyalmana, "Soyalangu maiden," at Oraibi, and her mother's brother was Tuvewuhioma, one of the Hostile leaders who had confronted Cushing in 1882. Qömamöinim was Lenmana (Flute maiden) in the Sakualelent, Blue Flute Society—the only female role in this society. When she reached Hotevilla, Qömamöinim was heavy with her second child and gave birth to Tsakwani'ima in a lamb corral toward the end of October. The child's naming ceremony, normally 20 days after birth, was conducted after only 10 days because the time came to move back to Oraibi.

Kewanimptewa's older brother, Qötsaquahu, was another migrant to Bacavi. Qötsaquahu was one of Yukioma's main advisors. They consulted often after the moves to Hotevilla and Bacavi, even establishing fields next to each other in Bacavi Canyon, below a point named Sivuvono, "Sooty



Masangöntewa (Snake clan) in Oraibi, 1890s. Masangöntewa was head of the Snake clan and chief of the Snake Society; he was one of the Hostile leaders who confronted Cushing in 1882. Photo by H. R. Voth. Courtesy Mennonite Library and Archives, North Newton, Kansas.

with the knowledge necessary to complete the ceremony. Qötsaquahu was tions in 1924, they had to call upon Qötsaquahu since he was the only one many Wuwtsim songs and rites. When Hotevilla began Wuutsim initia-Oraibi's Wuutsim at Sakwalenvi, and was charged with the knowledge of transpiring on the other side of the mesa. Qötsaquahu was a member of villages had a continuous line of communication and knew what was Stomach," to facilitate communication. In this way, the leaders of both married to Pongyayamka of the Reed clan.

many years after 1909. Coyote clan. Both were rather aged on arrival in Bacavi and did not live Momtsit, the Warriors' Society. He was married to Kewanhöinim of the where he was also kiva chief. He held the role of Qaleetaqa, "Sergeant-atand was head of the Wuwtsim branch based at Tsuu kiva (Snake kiva) in 1882. He had been Tsuumongwi, chief of the Snake Society in Oraibi Arms," in the Soyalangw ceremony and was also an initiated member of founders. Masangöntewa was one of the Hostile leaders who faced Cushing There were several leading members of the Snake clan among Bacavi's

to Patupha, the early Hostile leader of the Fire clan. society, it is likely she held a prominent role too. Jorsmöinim was married chief-priestess of the Lakon society; as Nasimoisi also belonged to this Nasimöisi's sister, Jorsmöinim, who died before 1906, had been the female matried to Nasimöisi, a member of a high-status Greasewood clan lineage. the Snake Society, an initiate of Wuwsim at Snake kiva. Suukaoma was Masangöntewa's brother, Tuutuspa, was also an important officer in

Government and made a dramatic (though foiled) attack on Loololma with son, Tawaletstewa, was an outspoken critic of Loololma's friendliness to the the factional division, he later felt obliged to switch to the Hostile side. His after the Parrot clan; the name refers to a beautiful design of parrot than ordinary significance. Lomanaksu gave him the name "Loololma" his godson's life, the choice of a future Kikmongwi's godfather has more Kikmongui into Wuutsim. Because a godfather plays an advisory role in kiva. Lomanaksu was chosen as Loololma's godfather and initiated this member of the Blue Flute Society. He was also kiva chief at Taw (Singers') Soyalangu, a leading member of Wuutsim at Sakwalenvi kiva, and a was the chief-priest of the Lakon society, a major officer (Parrot chief) in known as Melooni and Siitalawva, was a very important man in Oraibi. He an ax in the 1890s. Both Tawaletstewa and Lomanaksu's wife, remembered feathers. Although Lomanaksu initially supported Loololma's position in members were represented there until somewhat later. Lomanaksu, also The head of Oraibi's Parrot clan came to Bacavi although no other clan

> one of a few Oraibi men with a herd of cattle prior to the split. He disonly as "Hongsi" (a short form) of the Badger clan, died before 1909, but their other son, Saqqöiva, accompanied his father to Bacavi. Saqqöiva was pensed baked sweet corn to the Hostiles on the day of the split.

While in Oraibi, Polingyaoma had been struck by lightning, an event that the century, he was Oraibi's only lightning medicine man. In later life he the correct ritual; shrines have to be placed properly and other elements had many clients from all over Third Mesa, as well as some Navajos. named this because Polingyaoma was an Aalaitaqa, member of Aa'alt, the consecrated. Polingyaoma took a major role in this process at Bacavi. He aso sponsored the building of Bacavi's Al kiva, "Two-Horn" kiva. It was eligious matters. As with every new village, certain things need to follow Two Horn Society. He also became Bacavi's Katsinmongwi, Kachina chief. Only one member of the Kachina clan came to Bacavi. This was Poinferred upon him special powers to heal certain illnesses. At the turn of ngyaoma, known also as Tsaali. Polingyaoma was very knowledgeable in

fare Badger people in Bacavi, however; the clan was reintroduced by a Kykotsmovi woman who, parting the usual practice, moved to her husband's village after marriage. Badger clanspeople who are direct descendants of these founders. There one of whom was elderly and the other childless. So Bacavi today has no there was a strong contingent of Badger clan men but only two women, the only children born were males. This was the case, as we saw, with sist. Some Third Mesa clans have died out in the present century because matrilineal, there must be a continuous line of females for the clan to percordingly as there are female and male children. As Hopi clanship is The representation of clans changes with the passing generations, ac-Oraibi's branch of the Bear clan, and it also occurred with the Bow clan, of whom there are no living representatives nowadays. In Bacavi's early years,

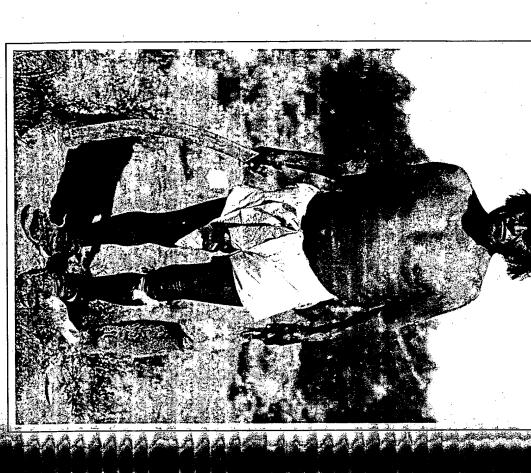
Qööqötsa of the Snake clan. headed Bacavi's One-Horn Society while it practiced. He was married building Bacavi's Kwan, "One-Horn" kiva, of which he became chief; he member of Kwaakwant, the One-Horn Society, and was responsible for (Greasewood stick) and Kopngala (Pile of firewood). He was a leading The oldest Badger man was Talaswuhioma, also known as Tepko

the office of Katsinna, Kachina father, in Kachina ceremonies, a role he continued to play in Bacavi. Nasiquaptewa was one of Kewanimptewa's chief of Bacavi's Powamuy (Bean Dance). He was a member of Oraibi's Wuutum at Sakwalenvi and was one of five Oraibi men who regularly held Nasiquaptewa was another prominent Badger clansman. He became

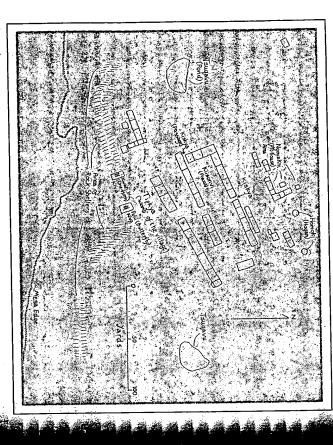
close ties with Yukioma in Hotevilla and periodically led some opposition of the parties, and the departure of one party from the village" (Lemmon to Kewanimptewa's policies. He was married to Talashongsi of the Bear Hostile council before the split. For this reason, he was one of those sent to in making speeches to bring about the conflict that meant the separation Carlisle Indian School for five years. Reporting the split, Superintendent Lemmon described him as a "speech-making agitator who used his ability an active Hostile leader in Oraibi; he was a principal member of the final quaptewa. Both were Bacavi's only two practicing members of 9–20–1906). After his return from Carlisle, Pongyaquaptewa maintained time in Bacavi. Pongyaquaptewa (also known as Naquayaoma) had been he built a house halfway between Bacavi and Hotevilla, and spent a lot of had another daughter who lived in Hotevilla. In order to be close to both Yukioma's brother, and another leading member of the Fire clan. Qöiwisö Italasmöisi of the Greasewood clan. Talasmöisi's fathet was Qöiwisö, Taatawkyam, Another pair of Badger brothers was Tawahongyoma and Pongyathe Singers' Society. Tawahongyoma was married to

Of the Greasewood clan, there was only one older man, Na usitewa, who is also remembered as having held significant ritual office in Oraibi. I am unsure of all his positions although he was an officer in the Blue Flute Society, a member of Wuutsim at Sakwalenvi, and of Momtsit. He was already very old at the founding of Bacavi and did not live many years thereafter.

There were several Greasewood clan women, however, and this accounts for the fact that Greasewood is nowadays the most populous clan in Bacavi. We have noted Nasimöisi above (married to Suukaoma) and suggested that she was of eminent Greasewood lineage. She was accompanied to Bacavi by her daughter, Tuwayesnim, and granddaughter Sihongsi (married first to Saqqöiva, Badger clan, and later to Tawayesva, also Badger clan). Tuwayesnim left her husband in Oraibi at the split, but his position confirms the high status of Tuwayesnim's lineage. In former times particularly, pavansinom, the "ruling people," used to matry among themselves; so if we lack other information, we can often infer a person's status from that of his or her spouse. Tuwayesnim's husband was tomaleotewa, Maasaw clan, chief of Oraibi's One-Horn Society. Another



Nasiquaptewa (Badger clan), ca. 1920s. Photographer unknown. Courtesy Nationals Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.



Bacavi, ca. 1919

in 1910, since Bacavi needed to know where it could make fields. Agent Horton Miller and to Murphy, to persuade them to allot Bacavi early tewa accepted the plans for allotment. In fact, he made several visits to Bacavi people had agreed to cooperate with the Government, Kewanimp for Oraibi allotments when the second split occurred in 1909. Because

unless something was done about Murphy's antics. protested strongly to the Agent, threatening his resignation as Judge. consistent answer from him. Finally, Kewanimptewa got so fed up that he changing the allotments around so that Kewanimptewa could never get a team at an exorbitant fee - all at the Government's expense! Then, he kept surveyors, paid them very generous wages, and then hired one son's horse created a lot of unnecessary problems. He hired his own sons as co-Murphy was not the most competent Government employee and he

charge had some confidence in his integrity, and for this reason. supposed that he was given the position because the officials in [Kewanimptewa] says that he was appointed judge...and that he

> thinks that his word should possess some weight. He says that Mr Murphy consulted with him in regard to the allotment of the land the confidence of the officials (Lawshe 12-10-1910) he does not care for the place if he may not be of service and have word may be of some value. That the money is not much and that asks that you relieve him as judge, and appoint someone whose other land. He says, also, that some land was taken from the land that had been given to them and that they would have to take and were told by the Allotting Agent that the Navajos wished the once, Mr. Murphy has given the Bacabi people their allotments, and then disregarded the advice he had given. That, more than Bacabis after allotment and given to other Hopis. In view of this, he they are very unhappy. That twelve men had been thus given land them and gave them other land that they do not wish and that now and that they were all happy, but that later he took the land from

issued allotment papers, the allotments were never legally ratified. were distributed among the men for their own purposes. So although al Bacavi. To try to secure these, Kewanimptewa and several other men ser Bacavi people were given allotments under this program, and some were wash still stands. But shortly after this, in January 1911, the allotment provalley, from Tsa'aktöiqa to Masatöiqa; the fence on the east side of the "Valley and reflected an exact reversal of the attempted division between gram was again abandoned, this time for good. The bales of fencing wire Hostiles and Friendlies by Agent Lemmon in 1905. They fenced across the about to tence the area, which was in the northern section of the Oraibi In October 1910, Murphy finally submitted a schedule of allotments for

planted on the village outskirts, although most have since died edges, especially to the north and northeast. Many fruit trees were also were individually owned. At first, there were fields right up to the village vaavasa (ritual fields belonging to clan leaders) were created, and all fields Because Bacavi was established rather differently from Oraibi, no wim

the northern Oraibi Valley. Others, especially of the Badger clan, went to and some men continued to use their former Oraibi fields. Several Bacavi come and farm there. This was quite an undertaking at that time as the by Polingyaoma prior to the Oraibi split. He invited the Badger clan to men established fields around Kwaawungvasa, the old Eagle clan lands, in Pangwuvi, No-Trail Mesa, 10 miles west of Oraibi. This area was first farmed area was traversed by Navajos who occasionally harassed Hopi farmers. But Fields were also opened in the Oraibi Valley and its tributary valleys, \* This refers to a ritual event conducted during Wuwtsim initiations.



of Northern Arizona. Terraced gardens, Bacavi Canyon, 1919. Photo by L. L. Hargrave. Courtesy Museum

the farms at Pangwuvi today. the farmers were successful and the results of their efforts are still visible in

gardening area. themselves. From the very first, the terraces provided Bacavi with a fine Bacavi was established, the village women divided the gardens among The terraced gardens in Bacavi Canyon predate the village. When

several sheep herds. Nowadays the corrals are still identifiable though very Corrals were also established around the village outskirts for Bacavi's

and Yukioma met and agreed upon a boundary. Some doubt the existence of this boundary nowadays, but older Bacavi people unanimously agree Kawestima. But it was not clear when this would occur, so Kewanimptewa days, many of the common people never heard about them. Because decisions by the leadership were not discussed widely in the old that it was originally well known to the leading men of both villages. long time it was believed that Hotevilla people would move on toward A boundary line was agreed upon between Bacavi and Hotevilla. For a

there to Wisoqvösö, "Buzzard Rincon." Owaskyavi, "Rocky Cut," to Qöyawöitöiqa, "Killing Point,"\* and from "Cedar Thicket Pond," to Pusukinva, "Drum Springs," across through The boundary follows a northeast-southwest line from Laputsqavu

Arizona University. right. Photo by Leo Crane. Courtesy Special Collections, Cline Library, Northern Bacabi Day School, 1911-12. The schoolhouse is at left, the principal's cottage to the



Leo Crane. Courtesy Special Collections, Cline Library, Northern Arizona University Children on the way up Bacavi Canyon from Bacabi Day School, 1911-12. Photo by

Keam's Canyon School, sometimes remaining there for years at a time school at all. This was not without irony. Because Hotevilla parents would wife, did not arrive until December 1912. From the time of the village's abor of several Bacavi men. The first teachers, Thomas Lannon and his Bacavi children. The Bacabi Day School was constructed in 1911 with the founding until the teachers' arrival, younger Bacavi children did not go to not agree to education, their children were rounded up and taken to As early as November 1909, Kewanimptewa requested a day school for

Kooninam (Havasupai Kachinas) in Bacavi, ca. 1925. Visible at rear is the James Brothers' store (see chapter 9). Photo from Dodge Collection. Courtesy Denver Museum of Natural History

seen at Third Mesa, such as the Sooyoko ogres, who came occasionally to on, there were also some special Kachina performances that are no longer were conducted regularly into the Powamuy and Kachina societies. Early frighten the wits out of badly behaved children. Sooyokos demand human They can still be seen at First and Second Mesas. meat and are put off only after much negotiation by the child's parents.

chief of Wuutsim from Oraibi's Snake kiva, Masangöntewa, and a large Oraibi's chief kiva, became Bacavi's Wuwtsim chief. Bacavi also had the ceremonies. Lomahongyoma, who had been the head of Wuuttim at number of other Wuwtsim members, including Lomanaksu, Na'usitewa, a very active part. His two sons, Tawahongioma and Pongyaquaptewa. Kewanimptewa, Sikyavehema, Talaswuhioma, and Masahongnewa. and Singers. There were only four One-Horns, who met at Kwan kiva: members of the three other Manhood societies: One-Horn, Two-Horn, Wungni'ima. Also involved with the Wuwtsim ceremonies were the Gyashongnewa, Poleheptewa, Saqqoiva, Pongyaletstewa, Tuutuspa, Suukaoma, Qötsaquahu, Nasingainewa, Talaswytewa, were the two active Singers. The Two-Horns met in Talashoyoma's hogan. ly three, and one of these, Lomamsai ima, was quite old and unable to take Talaswuhioma was their chief. The Singers were even fewer: there were on-There were only three of these also: Polingyaoma (who was Almongue, Two-Horn chief), Talashoyoma, and Tawayesva, although occasionally Around 1911 or 1912, the older men decided to put on some Wuwtsim

> tween Bacavi and Hotevilla before finally settling at Hotevilla). Sehongnewa used to take part (Sehongnewa moved back and forth be-

notable exception. Masahongnewa, a Kwaanitaqa (One-Horn man), conof religious observance. village in costume with his ritual lance and bell, to visit the various points tinued to conduct his ceremonial responsibilities as a solo effort into the 1920s. After that time, there were no more public performances, with one late 1930s. Every year in November he could be seen going about the mid-1910s and continued to conduct abbreviated performances into the pletely—with private kiva rituals and public performances—up until the The four Manhood societies performed their ceremonies fairly com-

the future Antelope chief at Hotevilla. though it had Oraibi's Snake chief, Masangontewa, and in Gyashongnewa Bacavi never performed the Snake and Antelope ceremonies, even

the 1920s. there was no real Owaqöl Society with a permanent chief-priest any more ceremonies, or "Basket Dances" as they are known in English, although ceremonies when these took place. Bacavi did, however, put on Owagoi chief-priest of Lakon. Several women went to Hotevilla for its Marau Prior to 1985, when Bacavi held an *Owaqöl*, the last one had taken place in in Bacavi even though there were three priestesses of the Maraw, and the As for the women's societies, neither Maraw nor Lakon ever performed

chief-priest in this society. About 20 Bacavi children were initiated into it. remain. Saqqöiva took care of the spring, and later this duty passed to tion. Highway 264 was built through this area in 1959 and not all the trees trees around the spring to safeguard it and to mark it off as a sacred locaticipants, including Gyashongnewa, Wungni'ima, Saqqöiya, and Wishövi, Lomahongyoma's son. Lomahongyoma maintained his role of northwest of the village on the mesa top. Saqqöiva planted several pear Society. They created a Leenanguva, or Flute Spring, a quarter of a mile Na'usitewa—in fact the most important priests from Oraibi's Blue Flute Lomahongyoma was its head and there were several other important par-The first ceremony was probably held in 1911 and the last in 1917. Bacavi performed the Blue Flute ceremony three or four times

ceremony there were only Lomahongyoma, his son, Wishövi, and a with Lomahongyoma over the rights to the Blue Flute altar. On account of the disputes, many Blue Flute participants withdrew, so at the last Lomayestewa, Lomahongyoma's brother, was now at Hotevilla. He argued been at Oraibi during the 1907 performance by the returned Hostiles. The Blue Flute ceremony was again the subject of controversy, as it had

Bacavi; others were newly introduced, and still others produced many some clans died out and were "reborn," some simply ceased to exist in there were fewer people overall anyway, clan sizes were all pretty small. So, numerical distribution of the different clans was more even. But since counting for more than one-third of the population. Originally, the from 1910 to 1981. The Greasewood clan is the largest by far nowadays, acfemale heirs who have enlarged the clan size considerably. Tables 2 and 3 show how the village's clan composition has changed

ceremony, for example, and its performances served to dramatize this societies were owned by particular clans, and the ceremonies in part man's time was taken up by his duties in the religious societies. These acted out for all to behold. Without the ceremony, the clan's identity and celebrated clan prerogatives. The Spider clan owned the Blue Flute its meaning have lost this basic form of expression. clan's arrival at Hopi. In this way the clan's distinctive powers were publicly has changed, too. When the ceremonial system was complete, much of a Not only have the clans themselves changed, but the meaning of clans

dings—clan ties are very active. It is simply that the number and variety of great pride in their clans, and on the ceremonial occasions that do say that clans are no longer important: far from it. People continue to take occasions for clan cooperation have declined by comparison with Bacavi's occur-such as Kachina and Social Dances, baby-namings, and wedthe ceremonial decline, joint clan activities have diminished. This is not to Clan members worked together most of all during ceremonies. With



Bacavi, from the southwest, 1918. Photographer unknown. Courtesy Arizona Historical Society Library, Tucson.

Every woman spent a great deal of her time processing and preparing the Hopi man had his fields and spent a great deal of time tending his crops. "First and foremost," as one Bacavi man put it, "a Hopi is a farmer." Every melons, squashes, peaches, apricots, and so forth, to sustain themselves. diminished. In the past, everybody had to have a corn crop, and beans, modities. In turn the old dependency on farming and livestock has or other means of making an income to buy their groceries and other comfruits of the harvest, especially corn. life. Nowadays, everyone is involved in the cash economy: many have jobs Processes of change have had great impact on the village's economic

damental feature of Hopi life. greater extent than the other Mesas, and at Third Mesa, Bacavi and tended annual harvest festivals attest to the ongoing vitality of this funfarming has declined, this is less marked than elsewhere, and its widely at-Hotevilla are the predominant farming communities. So although Bacavi's dependent on subsistence agriculture. Nevertheless, according to a 1981 Land Operations survey by the Hopi Agency, Third Mesa people farm to a Nowadays, fewer people farm so extensively, and none is absolutely

the terraces. created a garden right outside their houses and very few continued to use With the arrival of piped water in the village in the 1960s, many women daughters), and on it went down to the bottom, with space assigned to all and others. In the middle were some Reed women (Pongyayamka and her there were Bear and Snake women—Talashongsi, Tawanimsi, Nasiwunka, women in the village used one or another of these gardens. At the top springs that flowed out at various points of the canyon slope. All the corn, tomatoes, and peppers. They were watered from the abundant walled terraces, all full of various vegetables—beans, chilis, onions, a little extensively in the past. Early photographs show a beautiful staircase of Gardening patterns have also altered. The terraced gardens were used

special significance. He planted some reeds around the springs to symtrees, which became intertwined, higher up among the terraced gardens fond of planting trees and other plants at different spots, to have some disease, but others still produce. Sikyavehema (Reed clan) was particularly chards are not so plentiful any more; many trees died in the 1950s from a mesa were completely covered with peaches drying in the sun. The orpear trees around the village margins. In late summer, the edges of the these had some intended significance that has been forgotten. bolize the meaning of the village name. He also planted a pair of fruit Bacavi also established plentiful orchards of peach, apricot, apple, and



# Of Hopi Terms And Place Names

Aa'alt, the Two-Horn Society.

Aliksa'i, "Listen up," announcing the beginning of a story. Al kiva, Two-Horn kiva. Aalaitaqa, a member of the Two-Horn Society.

Atsamali, exact meaning uncertain, it refers to an area of flat rock just to Almongwi, chief of the Two-Horn Society.

Astotokya, baptismal night-ceremony (of the Wuwtsim initiations).

Awat'ovi, "Bow on Top Place," the name of a Hopi village on Antelope from the village on September 7, 1906. the northwest of Oraibi, where the Hostiles gathered after ejection

Mesa, east of First Mesa, destroyed by other Hopis in 1700.

Bacavi, Reed Springs Village (this is the preferred spelling at Bacavi; according to the orthographic system followed herein, the spelling would be 'paaqavi').

ep, here, at this place.

Hawiovi, "Going Down Place," one of Oraibi's kivas (also the name of one of Hotevilla's kivas).

Hemis, a type of Kachina that is often represented at Niman (the "Home Dance"

homoki, hogan (pl. homokiki)

Hopinavoti, Hopi knowledge, traditions, and prophetic wisdom

Hotevilla, Cedar Slope Village (the most common spelling; according to the orthographic system followed herein, the spelling would be 'Hotvela'

Hotvela, see Hotevilla.

Höwiipa, Dove Springs, one mile to the south of Bacavi

Iskiva, Coyote kiva, one of Oraibi's kivas (the only one to which the returned Hostiles were allowed access).

"Oh dear," "How awful" (an expression only males use)

Kaktsintöiqa, "Many Kachinas Butte," ca. thirty miles south of Oraibi, of Hopi religion. where Kachina dances were performed during the Spanish suppression

Kastila, a person of Hispanic descent (pl. Kastilam)

Katsina, Kachina, a supernatural being represented in ceremonies

Katsinki, "Kachina Resting Place," where the Kachinas rest during ceremonial performances (literally "Kachina house").

Katsinkitöiqa, "Kachina Resting-Place Point," a point south of Oraibi on the mesa top.

Katsinmongwi, chief of the Kachina Society.

Katsinna, Kachina father, a priest who takes care of the Kachinas during ceremonies.

Kawestima, meaning unknown, the name of an old village to the north of Hopi, where the Hostiles were supposed to go after the split. It may be identical with Keet Seel or Betatakin at Navajo National Monument

Kiilalwa, "house-building," "village-building" (plural).

Kiisa, hawk.

Kiisiwu, "Shady Springs," ca. 30 miles northeast of Oraibi, near the settlement of Piñon.

kiisonvi, "plaza."

Kikmongwi, the village chief

Kıqötsmovi, see Kykotsmovi

kiskya, a passage between buildings, especially into the plaza kukiskyam)

> Kookop(ngyam), "Fire" (clan); named after kopngwala, the smoldering When they reached it, all that remained were the embers. fire in the Oraibi Valley whose light they thought was Maasaw's fire. embers of a fire. The clan took its name upon arriving at the site of a

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Kookyangsowuuti, "Spider Grandmother."

Kooyemsi, Kookyangwungwki, Spider clan-house.

Норі). "Mudhead" Kachina (from the Zuni; no literal meaning in

Koyaanisqatsi, life of corruption and decadence, a universal stage forecast in Hopi prophecies.

Kutsiwla, "Lizard Gap," a point ca. two and one-half miles north of Oraibi, along the old wagon road to Bacavi.

Kwaakuku, "Eagle Foot" (or "Eagle Footprint"), a mesa-promontory ca. two miles southeast of Bacavi

Kwaakwant, the One-Horn Society.

Kwaanitaqa, a member of the One-Horn Society.

Kwaawungvasa, Eagle clan-lands, in the Oraibi Valley, ca. five and onehalf miles northeast of Oraibi.

Kwan kiva, One-Horn kiva (literally, "Agave" kiva). Kwanmongwi, chief of the One-Horn Society.

kwiningyaq, "at the northwest."

kyavaqvi, member of another Hopi village than one's own, stranger (pl.

Kykotsmovi, "Ruins Hill Place," also known as "New Oraibi" (this is the Kyeptsomovi, "Box-Thorn Hill Place," ca. 40 miles south of Oraibi. preferred spelling at the village; according to the orthographic system followed herein, the spelling would be Kiqötsmoni).

Lakon, a women's religious society.

lansa, lance.

Laputsqavu, "Cedar-Thicket Pond," one and one-half miles north of

Leenangwva, "Flute Spring," a quarter of a mile southwest of Oraibi; also another spring, a quarter of a mile southwest of Bacavi.

Lenmongwi, Flute chief, actually the head of the Blue Flute Society Lenmana Flute maiden, a role in the Blue and Gray Flute societies.

Maalo, a type of Kachina.

Maasaw, a bloody-headed spirit being, guardian of the fourth world, with power over life, death, fire, and the earth

Masatöiqa, "Wing Point," a promontory on Second Mesa, ca. four miles east-northeast of Oraibi.

Masawkatsinki, Maasaw Kachina House, a shrine on the outskirts of a

Masiptanga, "Moth Canyon" (literally "moths enclosed therein"), the area known in English as Keam's Canyon.

Mastopkatsinki, "Death-fly" (species uncertain) Kachina House, a shrine on the outskirts of a village.

Moencopi, "Continuously Flowing Water Place," Hopi village next to Mishongnovi, a village on Second Mesa (according to the orthographic system followed herein, the spelling would be Musangnuvi).

spelling would be Munqapi). Tuba City (according to the orthographic system followed herein, the

Momona, a Mormon (pl. Momonam).

Momtsit, the Warriors' Society.

mong, chief (adj., as in Mong kiva, Chief kiva)

mongwi, chief (noun; pl. momngwit).

Motsin(katsina), "Disheveled" Kachina; a Kachina that comes to ensure that springs and ponds are cleaned out.

Motsmongwi, chief of the Warriors' Society

Musairuski, Buffalo House, a shrine on the outskirts of a village. Mumursva, "Marsh Spring," ca. three miles west-northwest of Oraibi

naatsikya, (verb, pl. ending) separate, part.

Nasotanwiwimkyam, the Stick-Swallowers' Society, closely associated with the Warriors' Society.

Natnga, initiations into the Wuwtim societies

ngoyaknı, pit house.

Niman, the "Home Dance," concluding ceremony of the Kachina season

Nukushotski, "Crooked Pinon Tree," near Hard Rocks, at the head of the Oraibi Valley

nutungksinom, established). "the people who arrived last" (when a village is being

Nuvatukya'ovi, "Snow Piled on Top Place," the San Francisco Peaks

okiw antani, "May it be this way," an expression consecrating a desired

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Oraibi, "Place of the Oray Rock" (according to the orthographic system followed herein, the spelling would be Orayvi).

Orayvi, see Oraibi.

Orayvit, Oraibi's.

Owaqol, a women's religious society; their ceremony is called in English a

Owaskyavı, Hotevilla. "Rocky Cut Place," a point midway between Bacavi and

Öngtupqa, "Salt Canyon" (the Grand Canyon)

paaqavi, "reed," "bamboo." Paa'isngyam, "Water Coyote" (the species is probably Vulpes macrotis, the Desert or Kit Fox) clan.

pahoki, "prayer-feather house" (a shrine).

palaki, "red house," the name given to the allotment houses because of their rusted tin roofs (pl. palakiki).

Palatkwapi, an ancestral Hopi village far to the south

Pangwuvi, "Big-Horn Sheep Place" ("No-Trail Mesa"), ca. ten miles west Palengawhoya, "Little Echo Boy," the younger of the War Twins.

Paqapsinom, Bacavi people.

pas, really, truly. Paqaptsoqvi, "Reeds-on-Ledge Springs," ca. one mile northeast of Bacavi.

pasium, ritualized planning of future events.

pavansmo, pavanki, powerful village. "powerful, important person" (pl.

pavawkyaya, swallow. translated as "ruling people" or "ruling class"). pavansinom, often

Pensoiyungkam, "those who have taken the pencil," referring to those Hostiles in Hotevilla who signed the Government's agreement and

piiki, rolled wafer-bread; it is sometimes made in a small building known

Piikyas(ngyam), Young Corn (clan).

Pivanhonkyapi, an old ruin, ca. three and one-half miles west-northwest

Polii (kiva), "Butterfly" kiva, the first formal name of Bacavi's main kiva Polacca, settlement below First Mesa named for the Tewa leader and interpreter, Tom Polaccaca (Polakaka, following the current orthography).

Pongovi, "Circle" kiva, one of Oraibi's kivas.

Porswimkyam, an old Medicine Society in Oraibi.

Powamuy, a ceremony that purifies the earth ("Bean Dance" in English), when children are initiated into either the Kachina or the Powamuy

powaqmana, "witch girl." powaqa, "witch," "sorcerer," or unusally gifted person (pl. popwaqt)

Pöökong, elder of the two War Twins

puma, they.

Pusukinva, "Drum Springs," midway between Bacavi and Hotevilla.

Qaleetaqa, "Sergeant-at-Arms," guardian, warrior.

qatuptu'uy! "Get up!" (often to a child in the early morning) Qaletaqmongwi, the War Chief, head of the Warriors' Society

Qööqöqlöm, "shabby-looking" Kachinas, who perform immediately after the Soyalangu ceremony.

Qöyawöitöiqa, "Killing Point," midway between Bacavi and Hotevilla.

Saalako, an elaborate Kachina ceremony performed in conjunction with

Saalaki, Saalako house (a shrine).

Sakwalelent, the Blue Flute Society.

Sakwalenvi, Blue Flute Place, the name of Oraibi's chief kiva (also given to Bacavi's and Hotevilla's chief kivas).

Shipaulovi, "Mosquitoes Place," a village on Second Mesa (according to the Sakwatupqa, "Blue Canyon," about 25 miles northwest of Oraibi

Shongopavi, "Sand Grass Spring Place," a village on Second Mesa (according to the orthography followed herein, the spelling would be orthography followed herein, the spelling would be Supawlavi). Songoopavi).

Sikyatki, "Yellow House," an old village east of First Mesa

sipaapuni, the place of emergence, or "earth's navel"

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Sitsomovi, "Flower-Hill Place," a village on First Mesa (often spelled Sichomovi).

Songoopavi, see Shongopavi. Sivuvono, "Sooty Stomach," a short bluff immediately south of Bacavi

Songootõiqa, "Sand Grass Point," ca. three miles northeast of Oraibi.

Sooyoko, an "Ogre" Kachina, who appears during the period of the Powamuy ceremony.

Sosyalt, the Soyalangw Society. Sopkyawma, "Everyone Together," a special harvest ceremony

Soyohim, "Mixed Kachinas," many different kinds of Kachinas who Soyalangw, a major ceremony around the time of the Winter Solstice. Soyalmana, "Soyalangw maiden," a female office in the Soyalangw.

sukavungki, "commoner village," without any of the higher religious dance together.

sukavungsinom, "common people," those without offices in the religious societies or without significant social or supernatural power.

societies or ceremonies,

Taatawkyam, the Singers' Society.
Taqa'isngyam, "Man Coyote clan," a branch of the Coyote clan.

Tasapkatsinam, "Navajo Kachinas," a type of Kachina dancer.

Tasavam, literally "Navajos," also refers to those performing a certain Taw kiva, "Singers'" kiva, one of Oraibi's kivas (also the name of a kind of Social Dance, i.e., Navajo Dancers.

Tepwungwki, Greasewood clan-house. Hotevilla kiva).

tiingavi, a special ritual plan; also used to refer to the planning of a ceremony.

tipkya, the "womb" of a village. tiiponi, special clan or religious society emblem, "fetish."

tootsa, hummingbird.

totaatsim, "tyrants," "dictators."

Tsöpmongwi, chief of the Antelope Society. Tsa'aktöiqa, "Cryer's Point," ca. two miles northeast of Oraibi Tsöpki, Antelope House, a shrine on the outskirts of a village. Tseeveyo, a fearsome Warrior Kachina who carries a sword. Tsa'akmongwi, Crier Chief, announcer of special ceremonies.

Tsukumongwi, Clown Chief, in times past Chief of the Clown Society

tsuqavu, pond.

Tsutskut, the Clown Society.

Tsuu kiva, "Snake" (more properly, "Rattlesnake") kiva Tsuumongwi, chief of the Snake Society.

tunatya, an idea, the germ of a plan.

Tutuwuwa, "Markings Rock," ca. one mile northeast of Bacavi ("Navajo Battle-line," or "Comanche Battle-line" in English).

tuuhikya, "medicine man."

Tuwanasavi, the "earth's center," at Third Mesa, ca. two miles south of Oraibi (there is another place by this name at Second Mesa).

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Wakasva, "Cow Springs," ca. 40 miles north-northwest of Oraibi Walpi, "Place of the Gap," village on First Mesa.

wiimi, "religion," "religious practice."

Wimmomngwit, the chiefs of the religious societies.

wimvaavasa, "Ritual Fields," pertaining to the religious societies.

Wisoqvösö, "Buzzard Rincon," ca. one and one-half miles south-

southwest of Hotevilla.

wu'uya, ancestral spirit, "totem," of a clan.
Wuwtsim, major Fall ceremony involving the participation of the four Wuwtsim, "Manhood Initiation," societies: the Wuwtsimt (the Wuwtsim Society proper), Aa'alt (Two-Horns), Kwaakwant (One-Horns), and Taatawkyam (Singers).

Wuyo kiva, "Old kiva," a nickname for Bacavi's main kiva

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Yaayat, a religious society specializing in magic and conjuring



## Mentioned Throughout The Text

(Orthographic corrections, when necessary, follow in brackets.)

Heeviima: Fire clan, War Chief, major Hostile leader in the 1880s and 1890s.

Humiyesva: Sun Forehead clan, son of Tawahongnewa, a leading member of the Second Mesa Hostiles who moved to Oraibi in 1906. Kewanimptewa (Kuwannömtiwa): Sand clan, spokesman and leader of the returned Hostiles in Oraibi, later chief of Bacavi.

Lomahongyoma: Spider clan, Flute Chief, major Hostile leader (Hostile Kikmongwi) in the 1890s and 1900s; an important member of the Bacavi faction.

Lomayestewa (Lomayestiwa): Spider clan, Lomahongyoma's brother, a major ally of Yukioma responsible for inviting the Second Mesa Hostiles to move to Oraibi in 1906; he attempted to take over his brother's position as Spider clan chief.

Loololma: Bear clan, Kikmongwi of Oraibi from the 1870s until his death in 1904; preeminent leader of the friendly faction.

Masangöntewa (Masangöntiwa): Snake clan, chief of the Snake Society, a major Hostile leader in the 1880s and 1890s; an important member of the Bacavi faction.

Naquavehema (Nakwave'ima): Eagle clan, a major Hostile leader in the 1900s, later a prominent and influential man in Hotevilla.

Patupha: Kookop clan, the most powerful Medicine Man in Oraibi, major Hostile leader in the 1880s and 1800s

Hostile leader in the 1880s and 1890s.

Sikyavehema (Sikyave'ima): Reed clan, prominent aide to Kewanimptewa in Bacavi.